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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

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29 September 1999

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TITLE OF INVENTION

SYSTEM FOR PROGRAMMING A HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCE HAVING AN ELECTRONIC CONTROL

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☒ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information:
  - ☒ Petition to Revive
  - ☒ International Preliminary Examination Report
  - ☒ International Search Report
  - ☒ Declaration of Patricia A. Sheehan

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EXPRESS-MAIL DEPOSIT

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The following papers are being deposited with the United States Postal Service  
"Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10:

<u>X</u> International Published Application ( 27 pages including 37 claims )	
<u>X</u> Oath or Declaration	<u>X</u> Assignment With Recordation Form Cover Sheet
<u>X</u> Informal Drawing ( 3 sheets )	<u>X</u> Check No. 22595 for \$1318.00
<u>X</u> Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)	<u>X</u> Preliminary Amendment
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<u>X</u> Check No. 22583 For \$40	<u>X</u> Petition to Revive w/ check for \$1240
<u>X</u> International Preliminary Examination Report	<u>X</u> Search Report
	<u>X</u> Information Disclosure Statement (w/ PTO 1449 and references)
<u>X</u> Declaration of Patricia A. Sheehan	

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Sir:

**PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)**

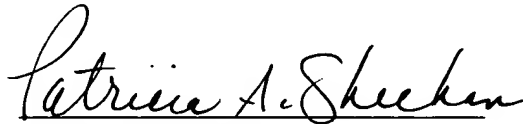
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b), we respectfully petition the Commissioner to revive the above-referenced patent application, which was unintentionally abandoned for failure to meet the international filing date. The entire delay in filing the required reply

from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) was unintentional. The U.S. national application and related formal papers and a Declaration that explains the circumstances leading to the unintentional abandonment of the application are filed herewith.

A check for \$ 1240 is enclosed to cover the Petition Fee.

Please charge any additional fees that may be required by this paper, including any extension of time fees, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1237.

Respectfully submitted,



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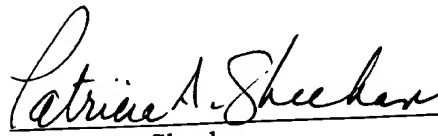


30, 2001 due date for the filing of the U.S. national application in accordance with the previously filed PCT application. On March 15, 2001, I was injured skiing. As a result of the injury I have been out of the office for an extended period of time that included the March 30, 2001 due date.

The filing of the U.S. national application was, unfortunately, listed in our docketing system as a foreign filing matter. Foreign filing matters are typically handled in conjunction with foreign associates, and in the confusion following my injury the docket entry for the matter was not brought to the attention of the attorney covering for me in my absence. The due date was therefore unintentionally missed.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the document resulting therefrom.

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